GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:20
ANSWERED ON:15.07.2002
FUNDS FOR REPAIRS AND CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the targets fixed and budget allocation made in 2001-2002 for repair and construction of highways;

(b) whether the targets have been achieved and allocated amount spent;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the action being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the targets for repair and construction of new highways fixed for 2002-03 and the amount allocated for the same ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD KHANDURI)

(a) and (b): The Ministry is responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways only.The physical targets and achievements made for development of National Highways during the year 2001-02 are given in Annex -I.

Budget allocation and expenditure on development and maintenance of National Highways during the year 2001-02 are as under :-

	Development (Rs. in crores)		Maintenance (Rs. in crores)	
	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
Ministry`s funds	1737	1722 (tentative)	720	581 (tentative)
National Highway Authority of India	5046 (Govt allocation 3060)	4189	192	192

(c) and (d): Shortfall in achievements are generally due to delay in land acquisition, delay in award of contracts, contractual problems and problems in bridge foundations etc. Quarterly review of projects and close monitoring, preparation of detailed project reports, thorough sub soil investigations are being undertaken to avoid shortfalls.

(e): The physical targets fixed for achievement of National Highway works for the year 2002-03 are given in Annex -II.

Budget allocation and expenditure on development and maintenance of National Highways during the year 2002-03 are as under: -

	Allocation of funds (Rs. in crores)	
	Development	Maintenance
Ministry`s funds	1681	684
National Highway Authority of India (Govt allocation 4003)	10039	107

ANNEX. I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a and b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.20 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 15.7.2002 ASKED BY SHRI J.S. BRAR REGARDING FUNDS FOR REPAIRS AND CONSTRUCTIC HIGHWAYS.

Physical targets and achievements for the year 2001-02

Sl.No.	Description of the items	Targets for 2001-02	Achievements during 2001-02
	Target physical		
1	Completion of works (Nos.)	620	620
2	Improvement to low grade section (Kms)	89	118
3	Widening single lane to 2 lane (Kms)	583	589
4	Strengthening weak 2 lane (Kms)	547	686
5	Widening to 4 lanes (Kms)	679	331
6	Construction of bypasses (Nos.)	10	8
7	Construction of major bridges	77	24
8	Construction of minor bridges including Rail Over Bridge (Nos.)	96	99
9	Improvement to Riding Quality (Kms)	2909	2764

ANNEX. II

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.20 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 15.7.2002 ASKED BY SHRI J.S. BRAR REGARDING FUNDS FOR REPAIRS AND CONSTRUCTION O HIGHWAYS.

Physical targets for the year 2002-03

Sl.No.	Description of the items	Targets for 2002-03
	Target physical	
1	Completion of works (Nos.)	755
2	Improvement to low grade section (Kms)	73
3	Widening single lane to 2 lane (Kms)	633
4	Strengthening weak 2 lane (Kms)	754
5	Widening to 4 lanes (Kms)	443
6	Construction of bypasses (Nos.)	17
7	Construction of major bridges	29
8.	Construction of minor bridges including Rail Over Bridge (Nos.)	145
9	Improvement to Riding Quality (Kms)	4136